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Docket No.: 21.1993

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Sawao IWATANI

Serial No. 09/779,844

Confirmation No. 5417

Filed: February 9, 2001

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Group Art Unit: 2142      SEP 23 2004

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Examiner: Vu, Thong

For: STORAGE AREA NETWORK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, METHOD, AND COMPUTER-READABLE MEDIUM

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 20, 2004. A Petition for a one -month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to September 20, 2004. This Amendment is timely filed on September 20, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		Attorney Docket No.	21.1993
		Application Number	09/779,844
		Filing Date	February 9, 2001
		First Named Inventor	Sawao IWATANI
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AMOUNT ENCLOSED	110.00	Examiner Name	Vu, Thong

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**FEES CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)**

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	- 26 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	11	- 11 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>August 20, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110)):					110.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 110.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>					\$ 110.00
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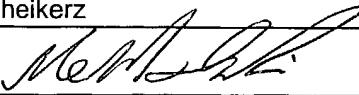
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 No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION**

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 Deposit Account No. 19-3935  
 Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP

The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

**SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP**

Typed Name	Mehdi D. Sheikerz	Reg. No.	41,307
Signature		Date	9/20/2004

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